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Production of films on health subjects.

* 1220 Q.—Mr. A. B. SHETTY: Will the hon. the Minister for Public Health be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Public Health Department has produced any films locally on health subjects and if so, on what subjects;

(b) whether the Government are providing funds for this purpose; and

(c) whether any books and pamphlets published by the British Social Hygiene Council have been translated into vernaculars and if so, into which languages?

A.—(a) No.

(b) Yes.

(c) No.

Mr. A. B. SHETTY:—"May I know whether the Public Health Department are using films for health propaganda?"

The hon. Mr. S. MUTHIAH MUDALIYAR:—"Yes, to a certain extent."

Mr. A. B. SHETTY:—"May I know whether the Public Health Department have produced any films locally?"

The hon. Mr. S. MUTHIAH MUDALIYAR:—"We are providing funds for next year."

Registration

Appointment of clerks as Sub-Registrars since 1927.

* 1221 Q.—Mr. D. NARAYANA RAJU: Will the hon. the Minister for Public Health be pleased to state—

(a) how many clerks were appointed as Sub-Registrars in 1927 and 1928 up to date; and

(b) what are the districts from which they have been taken?

A.—(a) Four and six respectively.

(b) These were taken from the registration districts of Madras, Salem, Madura, Trichinopoly, Erode, Chittoor, Palamcottah and Palghat.

Mr. D. NARAYANA RAJU:—"May I know, Sir, why no clerks have been taken from any of the Telugu districts?"

The hon. Mr. S. MUTHIAH MUDALIYAR:—"Because, I understand that there are a large number of probationary sub-registrars to be confirmed."

Mr. D. NARAYANA RAJU:—"Is there any proportion for that?"

The hon. Mr. S. MUTHIAH MUDALIYAR:—"There is no fixed proportion. It depends on the needs of the districts."

Mr. D. NARAYANA RAJU:—"May I know whether the Government will distribute these appointments in some fair proportion among all these districts?"

The hon. Mr. S. MUTHIAH MUDALIYAR:—"The clerks in each district who are qualified to hold the post are appointed in that district."